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August Milk Production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 833 million pounds of milk during August, up 6.7 percent from August 2013, according to the USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. The daily rate per cow was 68.2 pounds, up 2.1 pounds from August 2013. The dairy herd was estimated at 394,000 head for August, up 13,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 23 major States during August totaled 16.2 billion pounds, up 2.6 percent from August 2013. The daily production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 60.8 pounds in August, 1.1 pounds above August 2013. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.58 million head, 60,000 head more than August 2013, but 1,000 head less than July 2014.

Milk production, August

Commodity	Michigan			23 Major States		
	2012	2013	2014	2012	2013	2014
Cows..... 1,000 Hd	376	381	394	8,497	8,522	8,582
Daily rate per cow Pounds	65.0	66.1	68.2	58.3	59.7	60.8
ProductionMil lbs	758	781	833	15,347	15,768	16,177